

United States
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Agriculture

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

Agricultural Marketing Service

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Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Solicitation Mailing List Application, SF-129, Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) *prior to bid opening* (June 12, 2003) or your company may be considered non-responsible.

FV-201

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: June 5, 2003

Frozen Fruit, Announcement FV-201, Invitation 070

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen Fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in the child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Thursday, June 12, 2003. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Thursday, June 19, 2003. Deliveries are to be made from August 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Frozen Sliced Strawberries 6/6.5 Plastic Tubs 70,560 cases

- Manufacturer's own commercially packaged and labeled product is
 acceptable, as long as it meets all of the requirements of the Food and
 Drug Administration and contains an identification code that allows for
 traceability of the product.
- All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.

No offers will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes which translates into a connection of https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe? Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-201, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit dated June 1999, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20090-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-201, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

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COMM GROUP : 31 FRUIT, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 43 STRAWBERRIES SLICED 4+1 FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 10 6/6.5 PLSTC TBS

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| 002 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | | 1,008 | | |
| 003 | ATLANTA MACON | GA GA | TRUCK TRUCK | | 420 588 | | |
| 004 | CLEVELAND | ОН | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 005 | EAU CLAIRE MILWAUKEE | WI WI | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 504 | | |
| 006 | ALEXANDRIA NEW ORLEANS | LA LA | TRUCK TRUCK | | 283 725 | | |
| 007 | BATON ROUGE SHREVEPORT | LA LA | TRUCK TRUCK | | 368 640 | | |
| 008 | AUSTIN | TX | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 009 | CONCORDIA | KS | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| DELIV | VERY PERIOD | 08/16/0 | 3 - 08/ | 31/03 | | | |
| 010 | BRONX | NY | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | k |
| 011 | BIRMINGHAM MONTGOMERY | AL AL | TRUCK TRUCK | | 534 474 | | |
| 012 | CREEDMOOR | NC | TRUCK | ONLY | 3,024 | | |

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| 013 | | NC | TRUCK | | 308 | | |
| | SALISBURY | NC | TRUCK | YINC | 700 | | |
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| 014 | WINTERPORT | ME | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 015 | EAST SYRACUSE | NY | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | • | ** |
| 016 | JACKSON | MS | TRUCK (| ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 017 | COLUMBIA | SC | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 018 | INDIANAPOLIS | IN | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 019 | TOLEDO | ОН | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| 020 | PORTLAND | OR | TRUCK | YINC | 1,008 | | |
| 021 | SEATTLE | WA | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | | |
| | SPOKANE | WA | TRUCK | YINC | 1,008 | | |
| DELI | VERY PERIOD 09, | /16/0 | 3 - 09/ | 30/03 | | | |
| 022 | BRONX | NY | TRUCK (| ONLY | 504 | | * ** |
| | CONCORD | NH | TRUCK | YINC | 504 | | |
| 023 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | | 1,008 | | |
| 024 | MESA | AZ | TRUCK | ONLY | 686 | 4.5 | |
| | YUMA | AZ | TRUCK | YLINC | 322 | | |

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| 025 | TUCSON | AZ | TRUCK ONLY | 504 | |
| | MILTCOX | AZ | TRUCK ONLY | 504 | |
| 026 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| DELI | VERY PERIOD 10/ | 01/0 | 3 - 10/15/0 | 3 | |
| 027 | BALTIMORE | MD | | 1,008 | |
| 028 | NORFOLK | VA | TRUCK ONLY | 336 | |
| | RICHMOND | VA | TRUCK ONLY | 336 | |
| | VERONA | VA | TRUCK ONLY | 336 | |
| 029 | LOGAN | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 030 | HOUSTON | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 031 | ODESSA | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 032 | KANSAS CITY | MO | TRUCK ONLY | 756 | |
| | ST JOSEPH | MO | TRUCK ONLY | | |
| 033 | SIKESTON | MO | TRUCK ONLY | 504 | |
| | ST LOUIS | MO | TRUCK ONLY | 504 | |
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| 034 | CRANSTON | RI | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 035 | CLEARFIELD | UT | | 100 | |
| | SALT LAKE CITY | | TRUCK ONLY | | |
| 036 | SACRAMENTO | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
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| 037 | BRONX | NY | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |
| | EAST SYRACUSE | NY | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |
| 038 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | | 1,008 | |
| 039 | ATLANTA | GA | TRUCK | ONLY | 420 | |
| | MACON | GA | TRUCK | ONLY | 588 | |
| 040 | CHATTANOOGA | TN | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |
| | NASHVILLE | TN | TRUCK | | 504 | |
| 041 | COMSTOCK PARK | MI | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 042 | COMSTOCK PARK | MI | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |
| | LANSING | MI | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |
| 043 | DETROIT | MI | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 044 | COLUMBUS | ОН | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 045 | FAIRFIELD | OH | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 046 | NEW ORLEANS | LA | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 047 | OKLAHOMA CITY | OK | TRUCK | ONLY | 605 | |
| | TULSA | OK | TRUCK | ONLY | 403 | |
| 048 | FORT WORTH | TX | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 049 | LUBBOCK | TX | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 050 | SAN ANTONIO | ТX | TRUCK | ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 051 | GARDEN GROVE | CA | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |
| | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK | ONLY | 504 | |

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| 052 | SALINAS SAN FRANCISCO | | | | and the same of th |
| DELI | VERY PERIOD 11/ | 16/0 | 3 - 11/30/03 | | |
| 053 | CHICAGO | IL | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 054 | DES MOINES | IA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| DELI | VERY PERIOD 127 | 01/0 | 3 - 12/15/03 | | |
| 055 | BRONX | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 056 | LATHAM | ny | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | ************************************** |
| 057 | MCALLEN [®] | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 058 | Bakersfield Visalia | CA CA | TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY | 504 504 | |
| 059 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| DELI | VERY PERIOD 12/ | 16/0 | 3 - 12/31/03 | | |
| 060 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | 1,008 | <u> </u> |
| 061 | LEXINGTON PRESTONSBURG | KY KY | TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY | 756 252 | |
| 062 | TOLEDO | ОН | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |

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| 063 | FARGO SIOUX FALLS | ND SD | TRUCK ONLY | 504 504 | |
| 064 | LONG BEACH | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | |
| 065 | SAN FRANCISCO SAN JOSE | CA CA | TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY | 504 504 | |
| 066 | OXNARD SANTA MARIA | CA CA | TRUCK ONLY | 504 504 | |
| 067 | SEATTLE WHSE | WA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,008 | · |

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE

70,560

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Joyce A. Valentine Contracting Officer

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